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COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

(2-11 December 1996)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE NINETEENTH SESSION */

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 2 December 1996

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Election of officers

3. Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its tenth, eleventh and twelfth sessions and recommendations made by it **/, together with subsequent proposals arising therefrom; especially from international organizations concerned with regulations or recommendations on the transport of dangerous goods at an international level.

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*/ The composition of this Committee is limited. Pursuant to decision 1994/223 of the Economic and Social Council, the membership of the Committee has been raised to 19. Experts from non-member States may be invited to participate as observers in accordance with Rule 72 of the Rules of Procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

**/ The reports of the Sub-Committee on its tenth, eleventh and twelfth sessions have been or will be circulated under the symbols ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/20 and addenda 1 and 2, ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/22 and addenda 1 and 2, ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/24 and addenda 1 to 3.

(a) Draft amendments to the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

(b) Multimodal portable tank transport

(c) Reformatting of the recommendations into a model rule

4. Activities related to the implementation of Agenda 21

(a) Reports of inter-organizational working groups on the harmonization of classification criteria for physical hazards (reactivity/flammability) (Resolution 1995/6 of the Economic and Social Council)

(b) Harmonized criteria for toxicity

(c) Harmonized criteria for environmentally hazardous substances

(d) Harmonized criteria for corrosivity

(e) Hazardous wastes

(f) Labelling and hazard communication systems

5. Implementation of resolution 1995/5 of the Economic and Social Council

(a) Resolution 1995/5 of the Economic and Social Council

(b) Publication of the ninth revised edition of the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and the 2nd revised edition of the Manual of Test and Criteria

(c) Activities of international organisations concerned with regulations or recommendations on the transport of dangerous goods at an international level

(d) Other reports

6. Programme of work

(a) Periodicity of amendments to the Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

(b) Programme of work for the 1997/1998 biennium and related proposals

(c) Calender of meetings for the 1997/1998 biennium

7. Draft resolution 1997/... of the Economic and Social Council

8. Any other business

9. Report to the Economic and Social Council

Note 1: Tentative timetable

First week:

Monday 2 December:		Items 1, 2, 3(a)
Tuesday 3 December:		Item 3
Wednesday 4 December:		Item 3(b)
Thursday 5 December:		Item 3(c)
Friday 6 December:		Item 4

Second week:

Monday 9 December:		Items 5, 6
Tuesday 10 December	a.m.:	Items 7,8
	p.m.:	no session
Wednesday 11 December:		Item 9

Note 2: Submissions should be concise and as short as possible, they should include a justification. The number of proposals in a single document should be limited; they should all relate to the same subject under one agenda item or sub-item.

Note 3: Documents and proposals submitted to the Committee should be received by the Secretariat in paper form, and/or preferably diskette, or via E.mail, at the latest by **20 September 1996**. Due to their poor quality for further reproduction, documents transmitted by telefax are not accepted.

Note 4: An annotated agenda will be circulated at a later stage on the basis of submissions received by 20 September 1996. For reasons of economy, delegates are kindly asked to bring their own copies of pre-sessional documents to the meeting and not to request additional copies.